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23, [illegible]

To the honorable the Congress of the United States of America in Philadelphia assembled

The memorial of Samuel Safford Lieut Colonel of the Regiment commanded by Seth Warner Esq. humbly sheweth

That your memorialist entered the service of the United States, as early as the month of May 1775. at that time the Americans possessed themselves of the fortresses, Ticonderoga, Crown Point, and St. Johns on Lake Champlain and has attended constantly therein to this time and by reason of Col. Warners bodily indisposition the command of the Regiment has, great part of the time, devolved on your memorialist whose health by such servic has become greatly impaired and more especially since the memorial Battle of Bennington on the 16th day of August 1777. the extreme heat of which day so overcome your memorialist that he has not since been able to bear the fatigues of a moderate campaign; and as health is the greatest blessing in life and the indispensible duty of man to endeavour to preserve, and as the Regiment aforesaid have a greater proportion of officers than Soldiers— your memorialist prays your honors to retire from his command a few months, at the opening of the next campaign, that he may have an opportunity to recover his health, and there by be put in a capacity to be further serviceable in the defence of his injured country, and he as in duty bound will ever pray—

Samuel Safford

Bennington 10th Jan. 1780.

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An Information against several persons in Guilford, in the State of Vermont for breach of the Peace &c. Sometime in the month of February A. D. 1780. Henry Sherburn, and Timothy Root, Arrogated to themselves, the Power of Judges, in a case between Ephraim Nichols, and Henry Hix, Said Sherburn administered oaths to evidences &c. and they gave sentance against Hix, that he should receive fifteen stripes on his Naked back, Job Whitney said them on the evidence in this case, are Ephraim Nichols John Sarrabee and Wife

March 6th 1780. Henry Sherburn. Hezikiah Stowell Asa. Rice. Phineas Rice, Micah Rice, Assembled at the House of Levi Goodenough Esq. while he was holding a Court, and the case of a criminal on trial, and broke up the Court, ordered the criminal home, and defied the Authority— Evidences ar Nicholas Pulling, Constable, Edward Houghton, and Ithamer Goodenough.

Sometime in the month of April. Simeon Edwards, Signed and posted up a Warrant in the name of Sheriff requiring the people of the Town to assemble and Elect a Governor and other civil officers for New-York, accordingly a number assembled—

Evidence ar Levi Goodenough Esq. Samuel Shepardson Henry Sherburn and Hezikiah Stowell.

Guilford May 29th 1780.

Levi Goodenough.

Samuel Shepardson Com.

To State Atty.